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Hon. Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Enclosed is form PTO-1449 listing the enclosed documents. The relevance of the Japanese language document pertains to the sequence listing; however, an English abstract has been provided for the Examiner's convenience.

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Consideration of the foregoing and enclosures plus the return of a copy of the PTO-1449 with the Examiner's initials in the left column per MPEP 609 are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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